PTO/SB/05 (03-01)

| į | = | Ξ | |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|
| | Ξ | | |
| _ | | | |
| 2 | | Ξ | |
| $\overline{\mathbf{v}}$ | ▆ | Ē | |
| ⇉ | | Ξ | |
| ĭ | ≡ | Ξ | |
| | ≣ | Ξ | |
| | ≡ | | |

| ✓ Under the Paperwork R | eduction Act of 1995, no persons are rec | quired to re | espond ¹ | Approve U.S. Patent and Trademar to a collection of informatio | ed for use thro k Office; U.S. In unless it dis | ough 10/31/2002. OMB 06. DEPARTMENT OF COM plays a valid OMB control | 51-0032 MERCE number. | | |
|--|--|---|--|---|--|--|-----------------------------|--|--|
| | JTILITY | | | ney Docket No. | | IP (3600-419-01) | | | |
| PATENT | PATENT APPLICATION | | | First Inventor Robert Mariani | | | | | |
| TRA | NSMITTAL | | Title A Method of Forming Sintered Valve Metal Material O | | | | | | |
| Conly for new nonprovision | al applications under 37 CFR 1.5 | 53(b)) | Express Mail Label No. EV369584826US | | | | | | |
| | TION ELEMENTS reming utility patent application cor | ntents. | ADE | DRESS TO: Col P.C | mmissioner D. Box 1450 | nt Application for Patents 22313-1450 | 390 0.5 | | |
| 2. Applicant claims sn See 37 CFR 1.27. 3. X Specification (preferred arrangement st - Cross Reference t - Statement Regard - Reference to sequence to | [Total Pages 38] the invention o Related Applications ling Fed sponsored R & D uence listing, a table, gram listing appendix | ; } | (<i>i</i> a. b. | Computer Progruceleotide and/or Amino fapplicable, all necessary) Computer R Specification Seque i. CD-RO. | ram (Append Acid Seque Readable For ence Listing M or CD-R (| ence Submission rm (CRF) | 22 | | |
| - Brief Sufficially of - Brief Description o - Detailed Description | of the Drawings (if filed) | | ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS | | | | | | |
| - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Dis | sclosure | | 9. 10. | Assignment Pap 37 CFR 3.73(b) S (when there is an | tatement | sheet & document(s)) Power of Attorney | | | |
| 4. x Drawing(s) (35 U.S. | | _]] | 11. | English Translat | | ent (if applicable) Copies of IDS | | | |
| 5. Oath or Declaration | _] ' | 12. Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations 13. x Preliminary Amendment | | | | | | | |
| a. x Newly executed (original or copy) b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). | | | 14. x Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) 15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 | | | | | | |
| 6. X Application Data Sh | neet. See 37 CFR 1.76 | | 17. | òr its èquivalent | | | | | |
| 18 If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) Of prior application No.: Prior application information: Examiner Group Art Unit: For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. | | | | | | | | | |
| only be relied upon when a porti | 19. CORRE | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | | |
| Customer Number or E | Bar Code Label (losed Customer No. | or Attach h | ar code l | or X | Correspon | dence address below | | | |
| Name | Martha Ann Finnegan, Esq. | | <u> </u> | | | | | | |
| | Cabot Corporation | | | | | | | | |
| Address | 157 Concord Road | | | | | | | | |
| City | Billerica | ; | State | МА | Zip Code | 01821-7001 | | | |
| Country | USA | Telepi | hone | 1-978-670-6198 | Fax | 1-978-670-8027 | | | |
| Name (Print/tyne) | Luke-A Kilvk | | R | egistration No. (Attorne | ev/Agent) | 33 251 | 1 | | |

| Name (Print/type) | Luke, A. Kilyk | | Registration No. (Attorn | ey/Agent) | 33,251 |
|-------------------|----------------|---|--------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Signature | La Ky | L | | Date | April 21, 2004 |

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Date: April 21, 2004 Label No. EV369584826US I hereby certify that, on the date indicated above, I deposited this paper with identified attachments and/or fee with the U.S. Postal Service and that it was addressed for delivery to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

by "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service.

Daniel S. Paker Vanale S. Name (Print)

Signature

Under the Penerwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

(\$) 1,628.00

Applicant Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

| Complete if Known | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Application Number | Unassigned | | | | |
| Filing Date | April 21, 2004 | | | | |
| First Named Inventor | Robert Mariani | | | | |
| Examiner Name | Unassigned | | | | |
| Art Unit | Unassigned | | | | |
| Attorney Docket No. | 02104CIP (3600-419-01) | | | | |

| METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) | FEE CALCULATION (continued) | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---|--------|
| Check Credit card Money Other None | | DDITIO | NAL F | EES | | |
| | | Entity | | Entity | | |
| X Deposit Account | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Description Fe | e Paid |
| Deposit Account Number | 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge – late filing fee or oath | |
| Deposit Account Name | 1052 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply) | 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| X Charge fee(s) indicated below X Credit any overpayments | 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| X Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) | 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to | |
| Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee | 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Examiner action Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | - |
| to the above-identified deposit account. | 4054 | 440 | 0054 | | Extension for early within first month | |
| FEE CALCULATION | 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1. BASIC FILING FEE | 1252 | 420 | 2252 | 210 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| Large Entity Small Entity | 1253 | 950 | 2253 | 475 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| Fee Fee Fee Fee Description Fee Paid Code (\$) Fee Description | 1254 | 1,480 | 2254 | 740 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1001 770 2001 385 Utility filing fee 770.00 | 1255 | 2,010 | 2255 | 1,005 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee | 1401 | 330 | 2401 | 165 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee | 1402 | 330 | 2402 | 165 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee | 1403 | 290 | 2403 | 145 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee | 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| | 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive – unavoidable | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 770.00 | 1453 | 1,330 | 2453 | 665 | Petition to revive – unintentional | |
| 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE | 1501 | 1,330 | 2501 | 665 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| Fee from Extra Claims below Fee Paid | 1502 | 480 | 2502 | 240 | Design issue fee | |
| Total Claims 39 -20**= 19 x 18.00 = 342.00 | 1503 | 640 | 2503 | 320 | Plant issue fee | |
| Independent 9 - 3**= 6 × 86.00 = 516.00 | 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| Multiple Dependent | 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | |
| Large Entity Small Entity | 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| Fee Fee Fee Fee Description Code (\$) Code (\$) | 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per | |
| 1202 18 2202 9 Claims in excess of 20 | 1809 | 770 | 2809 | 385 | property (times number of properties) Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 1201 86 2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3 | 1810 | 770 | 2810 | 385 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid | 1801 | 770 | 2801 | 385 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 1204 86 2204 43 **Reissue independent claims over original patent | 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |
| 1205 18 2205 9 **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent | | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 858.00 | Other | fee (spe | cify) | | | |
| ** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above | *Reduc | ed by Bas | sic Filing | Fee Paid | SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) | |

| SUBMITTED BY Complete (if applicable) | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------------------------------|--------|-----------|----------------|
| Name (Print/Type) | Luke A. Kilyk | ~1.1 | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 33,251 | Telephone | 1-540-428-1701 |
| Signature | Land | RUL | - | - | Date | April 21, 2004 |

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

Date: April 21, 2004 Label No. <u>EV369584826US</u> I hereby certify that, on the date indicated above, I deposited this paper with identified attachments and/or fee with the U.S. Postal Service and that it was addressed for delivery to the Commissioner for Patents. P.O. Box 1450. Alexandria, V.A. 22313-1450 by "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service.

Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 by "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service.

Signature

Signature